

organization dedicated to kill us. We have known this situation since September 11. Why is it that with the passage of years, that is, until last week, that the administration finally says they actually are going to have a 24/7 effort to catch Osama bin Laden? They launched a war and took their eye off the ball to catch this guy who is at-large, and now, last week, finally says now we are going to have an all-out effort to catch Osama bin Laden? Where have they been?

They have been in Iraq, and I have a question I want this administration to answer. I was asked by the victims families of September 11 two weeks ago. Why, after September 11, when we knew that somewhere between 12 and 15 of the hijackers who killed our people were from Saudi Arabia, did this administration allow an airplane to fly all across America, when everybody else was grounded, when you could not fly home from anywhere, why did this administration specifically allow an airplane, paid for by Saudi Arabia, to fly around this country picking up potential witnesses who could have helped us catch Osama bin Laden, including members of the bin Laden family? Why did this administration allow that?

Mr. DELAHUNT. If you know, how many Saudis were implicated in the attack on America on September 11?

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, I think it was something like 15 out of the 19, and yet this administration, I want to know why they flew out these people two days after September 11 without the full, complete, comprehensive interrogation of these individuals, including blood relatives of the guy who we know did this, and several days later they are playing footsy with the ambassador down at the White House of Saudi Arabia, an organization that has been very close to the oil and gas industry? I want to know why they did that. Maybe there is a good answer. I cannot imagine what it is, but this is one of the questions that the people who are serving in Iraq and the victims of September 11 want answered.

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, by the way, how many Iraqis were on that plane?

Mr. INSLEE. Zero Iraqis on that plane.

Mr. DELAHUNT. One of you noted recently that the individual who was responsible, the Pakistani who is responsible for the proliferation of nuclear weapon technology to North Korea and Iran has been identified, and what have we heard from this administration, this President and this Vice-President about that? Nothing.

Mr. INSLEE. The fact is we should have been cracking down on Saudi Arabia a long time ago. We should have been cracking down on the Pakistani fellow that we found was purveying nuclear technology all over the world and, instead we have been involved in an action in Iraq. Now, I am very happy that eventually maybe some-

thing good will come out of the action in Iraq, but our people need answers to these questions.

Mr. ABERCROMBIE. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would yield, I believe that we have just a minute left. Perhaps you would like to sum up.

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, just quickly, I want to say this to the American people and I hope that it is not the case that we value oil over American blood. I am just saying that right now, and I think it is very important to make the message very simple tonight for Americans to understand.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HASTINGS of Florida) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. STENHOLM, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. TURNER of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MOORE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BERRY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. CASE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. TANNER, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. ALLEN, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MCDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. INSLEE, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. BURGESS) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CHOCOLA, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BILIRAKIS, for 5 minutes, March 24.
Mr. BURNS, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. PAUL, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. KING of Iowa, for 5 minutes, March 18.
Mr. FEENEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. GILCHREST, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 18, 2004, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7183. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish Managed Under the Individual Fishing Quota Program [I.D. 020204C] received March 16, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7184. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zone; Three Mile Island Generating Station, Susquehanna River, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania [COTP PHILADELPHIA 03-007] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received March 4, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7185. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Commercial Boulevard Bridge (SR 870), Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, mile 1059.0, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Broward County, FL. [CGD07-02-147] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received March 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7186. A letter from the FMCSA Regulatory Officer, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Transportation of Household Goods; Consumer Protection Regulations [Docket No. FMCSA-97-2979] (RIN: 2126-AA32) received March 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7187. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Collision Avoidance Systems; Correction [Docket No. FAA-2001-10910; Amendment Nos. 121-297, 125-41, and 129-37] (RIN: 2120-AG90) received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7188. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of Class E Airspace; Ashland, OH [Airspace Docket No. 01-AGL-19] received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7189. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Flightdeck Security on Large Cargo Airplanes; Correction [Docket No. FAA-2003-15653; Amendment Nos. 121-299 and 129-38] (RIN: 2120-AH96) received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 566. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1375) to provide regulatory relief and improve productivity for insured depository institutions,